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Sir:

In response to the Official Action issued September 5, 2001, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claim 11 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Kindly replace claims 1, 5, 10, 13-17, 20, 24, 26-30, 32-42, 44-46, 49, 52, 54-59 and 61 as follows:

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1. (Twice Amended) Process for preparing an emulsion of blocked (poly)isocyanates, said process comprising:
 - a) forming a mixture by contacting an isocyanate composition containing free isocyanate functions with at least one blocking agent A in the presence of a surfactant B and